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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, CY

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE MEDICAL TREATMENT OR MAKARIOS

1. ONE MEMBER OF CYPRUS EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON (NICOLAIDES) HAS PRIVATELY SUGGESTED, IN RECENT CONVERSATIONS WITH DEPARTMENT OFFICERS, THAT U.S. CONSIDER INVITING ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS TO U.S. FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT, EITHER AT BETHESDA NAVAL HOSPITAL OR WALTER REED.

2. CYPRUS EMBASSY OFFICER DESCRIBED MAKARIOS CONDITION AS WORSE THAN HAS BEEN PUBLICLY ADMITTED, BUT ALSO HINTED THAT INVITATION COULD OFFER OPPORTUNITY FOR MEETING WITH TOP U.S. LEADERS AND THUS ADVANCE PROSPECTS FOR CYPRUS SETTLEMENT. EMBASSY OFFICER SAID SOVIETS MAY BE ABOUT  
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TO TENDER INVITATION, WHICH MAKARIOS WOULD REFUSE, BUT WOULD THEN BE UNABLE TO ACCEPT AMERICAN INVITATION. CYPRUS OFFICER SUGGESTED, THEREFORE, THAT U.S. MOVE PROMPTLY, AND THAT U.S. GESTURE OF THIS KIND WOULD GREATLY ENHANCE AMERICAN IMAGE IN CYPRUS AND GREECE.

3. WE ARE NOT CERTAIN WHETHER IDEA IS THE PERSONAL THINK-

ING OF EMBASSY OFFICER OR REPRESENTS GUIDANCE FROM NICO-  
SIA. U.S. IS PREPARED TO CONSIDER STAFFING-OUT INVITATION,  
BUT WOULD FIRST APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S ASSESSMENT OF

FOLLOWING: (A) WHETHER MAKARIOS CONDITION IS SUCH THAT  
MORE SOPHISTICATED TREATMENT IN U.S. WOULD BE BENEFICIAL;  
(B) WHETHER MAKARIOS WOULD BE INCLINED TO ACCEPT U.S.  
INVITATION IF PROFFERED; (C) HOW WOULD U.S. INVITATION BE  
RECEIVED IN CYPRUS.

4. ANY OTHER EMBASSY COMMENT ON DESIRABILITY OF INVITA-  
TION WOULD BE WELCOME.  
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